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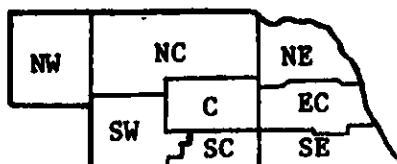
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## WEATHER

After some light rainfall in the beginning of the week, the remainder was dry. Amounts ranged from traces to about two-tenths. Temperatures were near normal ranging from two degrees above in the central and east to five degrees below in the Panhandle.

## GENERAL

Harvesting of Nebraska's row crops was virtually completed last week. Only a few fields of corn, scattered across the State, remained to be harvested. Farmers were busy cleaning and repairing machinery as harvesting operations wound down. Others tried to finish fall tillage operations, which included chiseling, disking, and applying fertilizer. Drying grain and planning marketing strategies continued to be prime concerns. Much time was being spent on record keeping and financial analysis in preparation for taxes and credit proposals to lenders. The number of days suitable for fieldwork was 6.1.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 23% short and 77% adequate. Subsoil moisture was 28% short and 72% adequate. A year ago, topsoil moisture supplies were 8% short, 59% adequate and 33% surplus. Subsoil moisture was 25% short, 68% adequate and 7% surplus.

## CROPS

Harvest of the 1984 corn crop was 99% complete, equal to last year but ahead of the 96% average. The few fields left to be harvested were primarily located in the central and southwestern counties.

Soybean and sorghum harvesting were completed last week. Soybean harvest was completed about 17 days behind normal while sorghum harvest was completed on schedule.

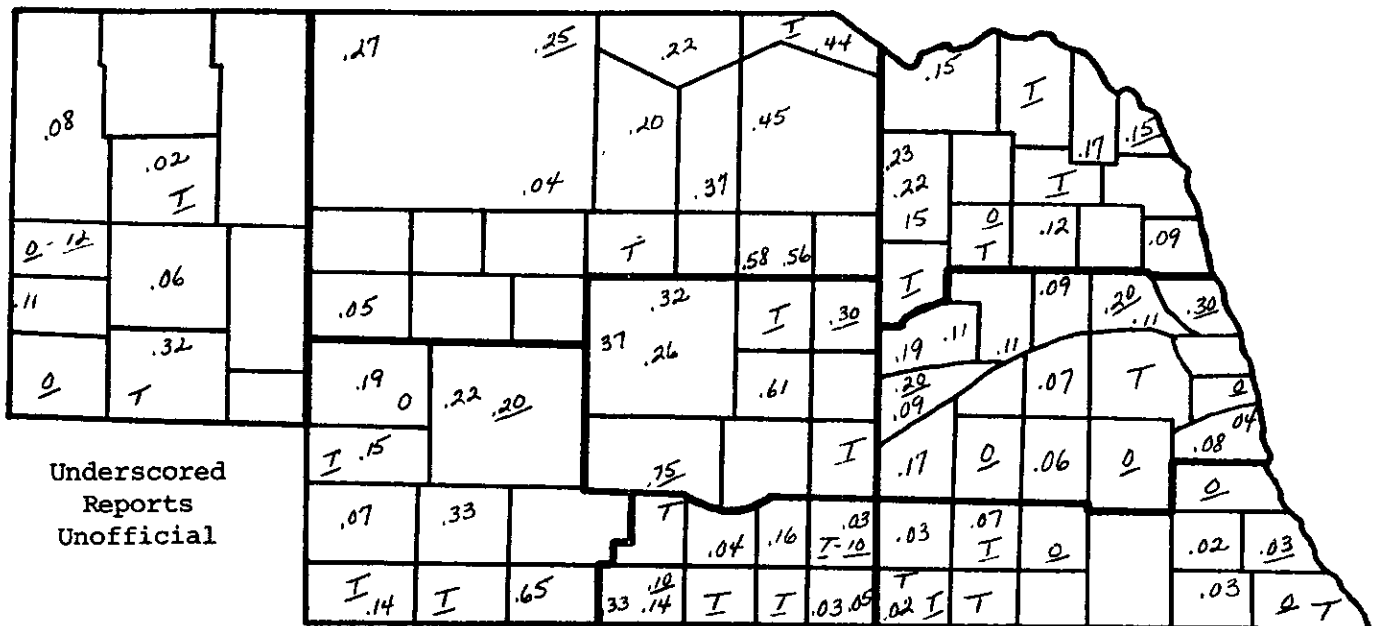
Winter wheat condition rated 29% fair and 71% good. Early fall moisture supplies boosted emergence and early growth. However, drier conditions during November have slowed crop development. The wheat continued to move into dormancy as winter approached.

## LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies were 26% short, 72% adequate and 2% surplus. Cattle continued to graze stalk fields. Movement of calves to market and feedlots continued active. Some liquidation of cow herds has occurred this fall in an effort of some producers to meet credit obligations.

Weather & Crops reports will be issued only once a month until early spring when weekly reports will be resumed. The next report will be released January 7, 1985.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1984



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1984

Station		Temperature				Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	46	10	28	--	.01
	Scottsbluff	47	5	26	-5	.09
	Sidney	51	5	27	--	.01
NC	Ord	--	--	--	--	T
	Valentine	49	6	31	+2	.14
NE	Norfolk	46	18	31	+1	.03
	Sioux City	43	21	31	+1	.14
CEN	Grand Island	52	18	33	0	.04
EC	Lincoln	51	20	35	+2	T
	Omaha	48	21	34	+2	.02
SW	Imperial	--	--	--	--	--
	North Platte	52	12	31	+1	.09

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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